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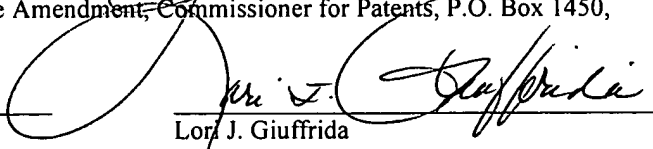
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This paper is filed subsequent to the non-final office Action mailed September 4, 2003 setting a shortened statutory response period to end on December 4, 2003.

Applicants request a one-month extension of time to respond. This will bring the due date to January 5, 2004, which is within the 6-month statutory period. A check to cover the extension fee is included; however, should any additional fee be due, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such fee from Edwards & Angell Deposit Account No. 04-1105.

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